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Lorenzo Leon Brown,

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

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Charles Ryan, et al.,

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

No. CV-17-00377-TUC-DCB

**ORDER** 

Discovery has commenced in this case. Plaintiff files a Motion to Object to the Defendant [Jacob's] Requests for Production and Non-uniform Interrogatories. (Doc. 67.) He complains that Defendants have refused to give him the documents he needs to respond to the discovery requests. Defendant Jacob correctly notes that the Plaintiff is responsible for producing the evidence which served as a basis for his allegations. But, they too are responsible for answering his discovery requests. To be clear, the Court struck the filing of Plaintiff's discovery requests not the discovery. See (Order (Doc. 65) at 4 (striking filings under Rule 5(d)(1) because discovery documents are not filed with the Court only Notice of Service of discovery is filed). The Court has not reached the issue asserted in the Response that the Plaintiff's discovery requests are improper. (Response (Doc. 68) at 1.)

Both parties shall answer each other's discovery requests. Before filing objections with the Court, objections must be raised first with each other in writing or by telephone. Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c). Objections may be filed with this Court only with certification

"that the movant has in good faith conferred or attempted to confer with the person or party failing to make disclosure or discovery in an effort to obtain it without court action." Fed.R. Civ. P. 37(a)(1).

When a motion for an order compelling discovery is brought, "the moving party shall set forth, separately from a memorandum of law, the following in separate, distinct, numbered paragraphs: 1) the question propounded, the interrogatory submitted, the designation requested or the inspection requested; 2) the answer, designation or response received; and 3) the reason(s) why said answer, designation or response is deficient. The foregoing does not apply where there has been a complete and total failure to respond to a discovery request or set of discovery requests." LRCiv. 37.1.

Failure to provide proper certification or to comply with the provisions of Rule 37.1 may result in denial of the Motion to Compel.

## Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion to Object to Defendant's Request for Production and Non-Uniform Interrogatories is DENIED.

Dated this 16th day of November, 2018.

Honorable David C. Bury United States District Judge